

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 450
By Rigsby

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wilce on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to recognize special citizens who are celebrating milestones in their venerable lives; and

WHEREAS, on February 26, 1946, Joseph and Christine Wilce were joined in holy matrimony, and since that fateful day this loving couple has shared the joys and sorrows of life's journey, facing the world as one; and

WHEREAS, Joseph and Christine Wilce are residents of Franklin County and have been highly respected citizens of their community for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilce is a World War II veteran, an army captain retiree, a former medical supply officer and a civil service retiree from Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, Alabama; Mrs. Wilce taught in the Franklin County School system and worked 22 years with the Hat Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Wilces are active members of the Franklin County Senior Citizens Group; and

WHEREAS, the Wilces are the very epitome of good neighbors, always ready with a kind word and eager to lend a helping hand to those in need; they actively support a destitute child in Rajahmundry, India; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Wilce are devout Christians and evince their strong belief in the Lord through their active membership in their church; and

WHEREAS, this happy union has produced one child, Carole Wilce Sheppard; they are delighted to be called Grandpa and Grandma by their three grandsons and their great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, for 50 years this union has endured to stand as a testament to the power of love and family; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as this are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby pause to honor and congratulate Joseph and Christine Wilce as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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